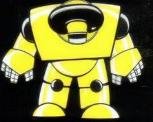


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Your online guide to the sensational world of Sega and Sonic The Comic. Hosted by Megadroid.

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Hey, Boomers!

Welcome to another mega edition of the U.K.'s official Sega comic. As usual STC's hedgehog host with the most gets the issue underway with a special complete Sonic story, Beware Predicto. There's a new kid in town in the form of that multihero, Kid Chameleon, plus a certain knock-out echidna, Knuckles continues to pack a punch in Total Chaotix. To complete the starry set up, that jet-powered furry possum, Sparkster, launches into the second part of STC's out-of-thisworld series Last of the Rocket Knights.

The hot new Knuckles release Chaotix is under the Review Zone microscope, plus there's another sega-sational pinup on the back page featuring Sonic & Knuckles - sure to be the fastest stick-up in the west!

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SONIC THE BUDGIE?

There's only one Sonic ... or is there? At least that was the case until Boomers began honouring their pets with the name. A Sonic & Knuckles disposable camera will be awarded to each snap happy hume who gets their photograph in print. Get snapping!

Rebecca Anderson, Stockton-on-Tees. MD owner.
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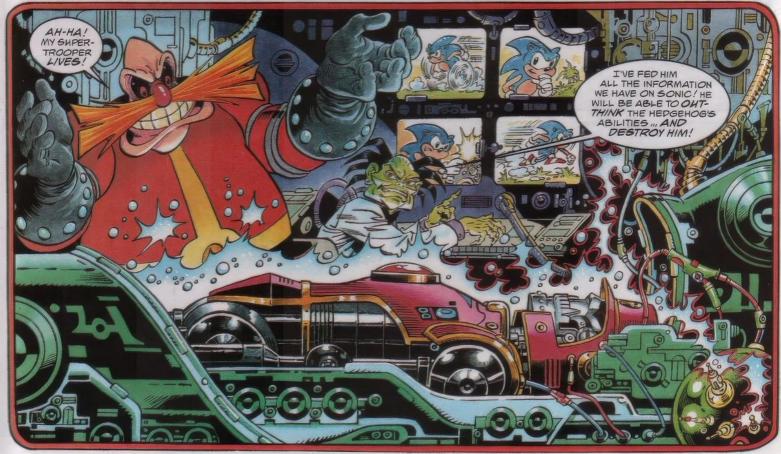
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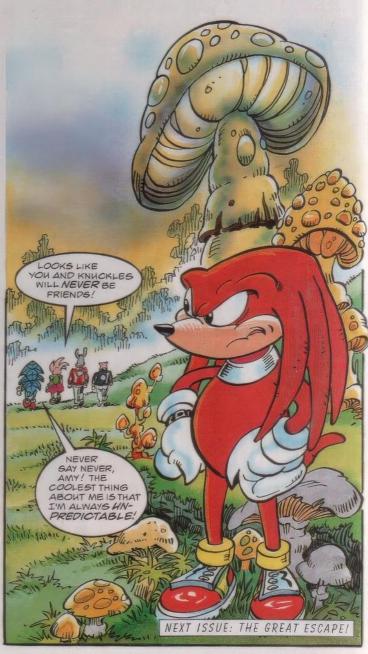
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REVIEW



Enter the zone that brings you reviews of all the new releases for the Sega game systems.

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Nick Protz.

CHAOTIX



game type: PLATFORM 1 PLAYER

MEGA DRIVE 32X

RATING SYSTEM
under 40% = Yawnsville
40 - 70% = Normalsville

70 - 80% = Fun City 80 - 90% = Big Time City Over 90% = Mega City

The major difference between **Chaotix** and previous *Sonic*-type platformers is that you are 'linked' to another character throughout the game. This link, an energy stream between two gold rings, acts like a rubber band. It remains intact through all the action except in the event of a direct hit. At no point can you disengage

from your partner, but you can select a different 'pal' at the start of each level.

Learning how to master and manoeuvre the two linked characters can be tricky at first. However, thanks to some excellent on-line help, you'll soon learn how to pull off spectacular leaps, amazing bursts of speed and a neat 'Slinky-type' effect!

Chaotix has five zones to explore, each one with five levels appearing in random order. There are plenty of bonus levels (and a great new Special Stage) to help build up rings and lives. There is also a clever final stage and a tricky boss to defeat.



Since the Mega Drive 32X add-on first appeared earlier this year, STC has been swamped with letters from anxious Boomers wondering when the first Sonic game would appear on it. Well here it is ... sort of! In fact Sonic's friendly rival Knuckles takes the spotlight in Chaotix, a platform game that wouldn't shame the Cool Blue One himself.

Joining Knuckles are several brand-new characters. Rather than reveal who they are here, check out Knuckles' own story in this very issue! There's also a new location and new zones to visit. Oh yes, and old eggbreath himself, Doctor Robotnik, is around to cause more trouble.





great momentum and the back-drops are bright, colourful and highly detailed. Chaotix puts the Red-Dreaded One firmly into the video game superstar league (watch out Sonic!). It offers a decent challenge and remains true to the Sonic tradition of great platform games. It's also a good excuse for finally getting that 32X add-on you've been promising yourself!

Chaotix is somewhat predictable compared to previous Sonic games. The early levels don't offer much of a challenge. Initial end-of-level bosses are easily defeated and it's not too hard to keep all your rings. That said, the speed and eye-popping graphics effects of this 32X cart are brilliant. The characters have





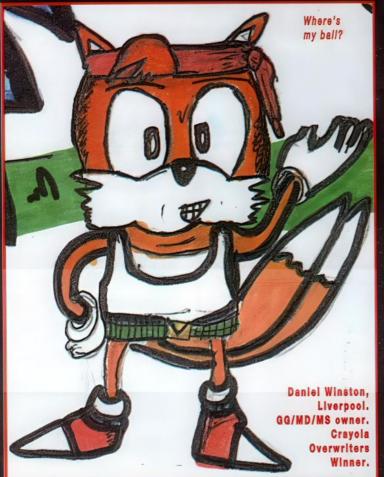
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Sonic and Tails get in some tennis practice to coincide with Wimbledon lever! It's game, set and match to the Boomers responsible for serving up the winning drawings below - a pack of Crayola Overwriter Pens are heading their way.

















































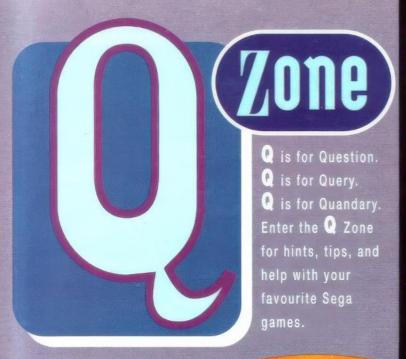












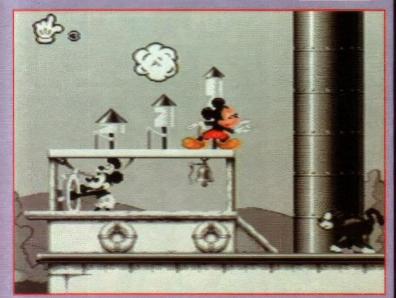
Mickey Mania was a beautifully animated platformer, but the game was a pretty tough cookie to crack.
Once again, David Gibbon reveals the level secrets to this game!



Part 1







LEVEL ONE - STEAMBOAT WILLY

Simply keep heading right and follow the advice listed. When you reach the tallest house, jump onto the far right spring which will throw you up to the second floor. Reach the top floor by first jumping onto the far left sign. Ringing the bells at the top will open a nearby bridge. Continue right, to the end.



HAZARDS

THE COW: At the beginning of the level, jump onto the bottle and this will fire the cork into the cow's mouth.

Quickly jump back to avoid the wandering musical notes.

SWINGING BALLS: As the first ball swings towards you, jump over it and collect the Marbles and Stars. Now jump right, over the second ball.

wheels, throw marbles at the bottom two, then use the available springs to jump up and reach the higher wheels. Keep on the move to avoid the falling bombs; however, you can jump across the bombs as they fall!

HINTS

THE ROAMING DOG: Jump on the dog's back while standing on the top right edge of the cabin; he'll fall through and create a hole in the ground. Fall down here and head left to pick up extra energy.

MOVING CRATES: As the cranes' hook lowers to collect a crate, stand on top of it and you'll be carried over to the pier. Other crates will appear later in the level, but beware as they collapse if you stand for too long!

WINDOW LEDGES: When you come to one of the homes in the level, it's possible to reach higher via the window ledges.

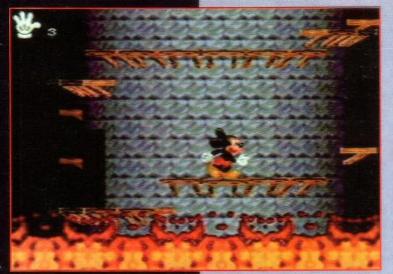
LEVEL TWO . THE MAD DOCTOR

The idea is to rescue Mickey's dog, Pluto, who can be found at the end of the last round. However, you've got to get through these seven rounds first.

ROUND ONE: Kill the bats at the beginning then head right to finish.

ROUND TWO: Head right, but be careful at all times.

ROUND THREE: Here's where things heat up!
Mickey is placed on a runaway wagon with many obstacles ahead. Each time the wagon is about to sink, make sure you jump to the next wagon as you're about to enter the water. If you jump too early, you'll miss the next wagon!

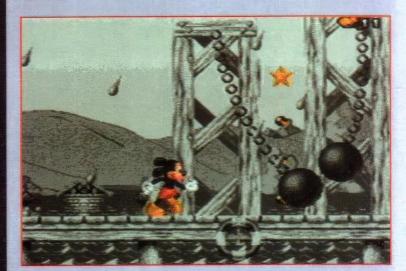


Mickey & Pluto taking a stroll in between dodging falling branches, rocks and a rampaging moose!

take it slowly. Branches and rocks are falling all over the place! When Pluto stands rigid, get ready to jump because a moose is about to charge!

***OBNO TWO: This is the most visually-appealing level

in the game! Keep running to get away from the moose. Dodge the rocks, jump the water and pick up the apples to win!



ROUND FOUR: Keep on the move and make your way down the tower. When you see approaching barrels, leap in the air to avoid them.

ROUND FIVE: Similar to Round Two.

ROUND SIX: As you go up in the lift, fire as soon as you see a Skeleton, taking care to dodge the flying bones!

ROUND SEVEN: Push the glass jar under the first plaque, then go up and stand on the plaque. A drop of liquid will fall into the jar. Repeat this with the other two plaques, then push the jar onto the Bunsen burner. Stand on the button to the right of the burner and wait until the jar explodes.

HAZARDS

SKELETONS & BATS: See Top Tips.

MEAT CARVERS (Round One): Hanging on the walls, approach slowly because they fall to the ground as you get closer!

SWINGING ROPES (Rounds Two & Five): Before you swing to the other side of a pit, shoot any baddies in the air and on the other side where you're going to land.

FIRE (Round Two): Avoid standing around for too long or Mickey will get burned. Get past any fire by jumping through it as fast as possible.

MAD DOCTOR: The Doc will open his cloak and proceed to throw red bottles at you. Move away, whilst throwing marbles at him. Once defeated, go right to meet up with Pluto!

LEVEL THREE - MOOSE HUNTERS

Played over two rounds, the first part of this level sees

TOP TIPS

- Mickey only has a limited amount of energy, making the game very difficult. However, provided you proceed with care on each level and collect stars to restore your energy it's possible to get through.
- 2. The Marbles are very important to Mickey. Extra Marbles can be found throughout each level, so ensure you pick up as many as possible.
- 3. Wherever you see a moving nasty such as a Parrot or Skeleton, throw Marbles at them until dead.

 Never try and get past them if it looks risky, first get rid of them! When firing at a Skeleton, stand close and duck so that his flying bones don't hit you.

NEXT ISSUE: Mickey Mania - the conclusion.





























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Dear Megadroid,

Something shiny and gold caught my eye while I was shopping in the local supermarket. On closer inspection, I saw it was the cover of STC's 50th issue. I bought the comic and was very impressed with the stories, reviews and tattoos. Long may STC live well into its hundreds! Leigh Hay, Bolton, Lancashire. GG owner.

Sonic Stationery Winner.



'Hay,' Leigh - glad that on this occasion you judged a



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Dear STC.

Please can you tell me if you can use Mega Drive games with the new 32X?

Aled Edwards, Blackwood, Wales. MD owner.

Sonic Stationery Winner.



Sure can, Aled. The 32X plugs into any Mega Drive or Mega-CD. As well as

working with the new range of 32X games, all graphics and sound are super-charged.

Just in case the tennis gets rained off anyone for football?

Jamie Wilkes, Shirley, W. Midlands. Sonic Stationery Winner.

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Dear STC.

I think Knuckles is the ugliest resident on the Floating Island, and in my opinion he needs a face lift and should get to grips with his hair! Joseph Davies, Cheshire. Sonic Stationery Winner.

Knuckles is the only Island, Joey Boy! Ancient STC proverb:

resident on the Floating Don't judge an echidna by his coiffure!



Michael Franks, Wolverhampton. GG/MD/MS owner. Sonic Stationery Winner.

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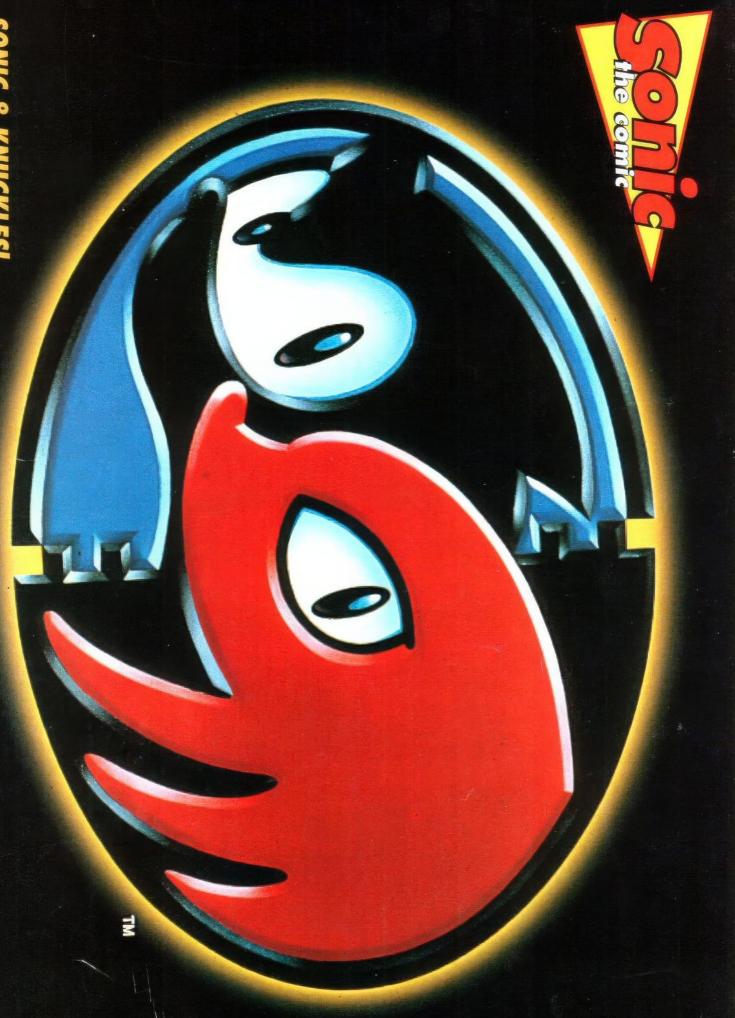
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